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REMARKS

Claims 1, 11, and 14 are amended. Claims 10, 12, 13, and 16 are canceled. Upon entry of the amendment, claims 1-9, 11, 14, 15, and 17-21 are pending in the present application.

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the elements of claim 10. Specifically, claim 1 is further directed to a particular shape of the seal outward surface and inner transition surface.

Claim 14 has been amended to incorporate the elements of claim 16. Specifically, claim 14 is further directed to a non-circular exhaust port and exhaust portion.

Applicant submits that the aforementioned amendments fully comply with the Examiner's conditions for allowance.

For all the foregoing reasons, favorable consideration of claims 1-9, 11, 14, 15, and 17-21 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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